



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

TOWN OF NATICK
SPECIMEN BALLOT
Tuesday, March 30, 2010

Precinct 8

To vote for a candidate join the arrow to the right of your choice. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write that person's name and residence in the blank space provided and join the arrow.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than TWO

CHRISTOPHER CARR 16 Greenwood Road ++++++

CHARLES M. HUGHES 10 Oxbow Road ++++++

PAUL R. JOSEPH 66 School Street Ext. ++++++

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than THREE

ANNE E. BLANCHARD 16 Nottingham Drive ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

DAVID J. MURPHY 3 Silver Hill Lane #7 ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

ANNE LaPLACE ZERNICKE 8 Jefferson Street ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

DYLAN HAYRE 22A Marion Street ++++++

MARK R. SCHULTZ 18 Peterson Road ++++++

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

JANICE M. DANGELO 5 Stillman Circle ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

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TOWN CLERK
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

DIANE B. PACKER 17 Arbor Circle ++++++

JAMIE M. PARR 14 Sherman Terrace ++++++

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CONSTABLES
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than SIX

ROSS A. CIGNA 6 Avon Lane ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

ARTHUR L. LAMONT 145 Mill Street #421W ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

MICHAEL G. WINER 7 Madonna Street ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

KEVIN F. FLYNN 90 Winter Street ++++++

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BOARD OF HEALTH
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

DONALD J. BREDA 29 Arcadia Road ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

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BOARD OF HEALTH
for 1 year

Vote for not
more than ONE

ALAN COLE 35 Eliot Hill Road ++++++

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TOWN MODERATOR
for 3 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

FRANK W. FOSS 18 Sunshine Avenue ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

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PLANNING BOARD
for 5 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

GLEN B. GLATER 28 Reynolds Avenue ++++++

PETER A. NOTTONSON 11 Parker Court ++++++

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RECREATION AND PARKS
COMMISSION - for 3 years

Vote for not
more than TWO

RONALD V. ORDWAY 20 Loker Street ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

JAMES P. HANNON 29 Sylvester Road ++++++

JESSICA A. ORDWAY 65 Pine Street ++++++

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NATICK HOUSING
AUTHORITY - for 5 years

Vote for not
more than ONE

ERICA E. BALL 11 Russell Circle ++++++

RICHARD R. MacPHERSON 3 Webster Street ++++++

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TOWN MEETING MEMBERS
PRECINCT 8 - Vote for not more than SIX
Six for 3 years

KATHLEEN A. LENTINI 72A Oakland Street Ext. ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

JAMES L. MAGEE 28 Waban Street ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

THERESA M. MILLER 5 Walcott Street ++++++
Candidate for Re-election

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QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Natick be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct, equip and furnish a new Community/ Senior Center?

YES

NO

QUESTION 2

Shall the Town of Natick be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct, furnish and equip a new Natick High School located at 15 West Street, Natick, Massachusetts and related facilities, buildings, appurtenant structures, and grounds, including without limitation the Memorial Field Complex?

YES

NO

QUESTION 3

Shall this town approve the Charter amendment proposed by vote of the 2009 Fall Natick Annual Town Meeting under Article 24, as summarized below?

YES

NO

SUMMARY

The amendment revised Article 2 of the Natick Home Rule Charter as follows.

1. In Section 2-3, which Section relates to the voting precincts of the Town, in the second paragraph, first sentence, third line, delete the word "and" which appears between the words "meeting" and "c" and insert in its place the word "or", so that said first sentence reads "The boundaries of the precincts shall be reviewed and wholly or partly revised by the board of selectmen (a) at least once in every ten years, (b) whenever it is directed to do so by a vote of the town meeting, or (c) whenever it is apparent from the street list, census data or other official information that the number of inhabitants in any one precinct varies by five per cent or more from the total number of inhabitants of the town divided by the number of precincts."; and

2. In Section 2-6(d), which Section relates to filling Town Meeting member vacancies, in the last sentence, delete the comma which appears between the words "event" and "there" and insert in its place the word "that" so that said last sentence reads "In the event that there are no persons eligible, the vacancy shall remain unfilled until the next town election."; and

3. In Section 2-13(c), which Section relates to calling a special election following the filing of a referendum petition concerning a Town Meeting vote, in the second sentence, delete the words "fourteen" and "twenty-one" and insert in their place the words "thirty" and "sixty" so that said second sentence reads "The board of selectmen shall, within ten days following the filing of such petition, call a special election to be held on a date fixed by it not less than thirty nor more than sixty days later for submission of such question, or questions, to the voters for a final determination."

CONTINUE VOTING ON BACK

QUESTION 4

Shall this town approve the Charter amendment proposed by vote of the 2009 Fall Natick Annual Town Meeting under Article 26, as summarized below?

YES
NO

SUMMARY

The amendment revised Article 4 of the Natick Home Rule Charter as follows.

1. In Section 4-2, which Section relates to the Town Administrator's powers and duties, in the first paragraph, insert the words "and by-laws" at the end of the first sentence so that said first sentence reads "The town administrator shall be the chief administrative officer of the town and shall be responsible to the board of selectmen for the proper administration of all town affairs placed under his charge by or under the charter and by-laws."; and

2. In Section 4-2 13), which Section relates to the Town Administrator's powers and duties, in the second line, insert the words "consistent with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" between the words "kept" and "including" so that said subsection 13) reads "He shall assure that a full and complete inventory of all town-owned property, both real and personal, is kept consistent with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, including all property under the jurisdiction of the school committee and other elected town officers on multiple member bodies."; and

3. In Section 4-2 15), which Section relates to the Town Administrator's powers and duties, in the second sentence, delete the word "material" and insert in its place the word "materials"; in the third sentence, delete the word "material" and insert in its place the word "materials"; and insert in the third sentence the words "for all departments and activities of the town" between the words "equipment" and "except" so that Section 4-2 15) reads "He shall be responsible for the purchase of all supplies, materials and equipment, and shall award all contracts for supplies, materials and equipment for all departments and activities of the town, except for the school department. He shall examine and inspect, or cause to be examined and inspected, the quality and the condition of all supplies, materials and equipment delivered to or received by any town department, except the school department. He shall, in addition, be responsible for the disposal of all surplus supplies, materials and equipment for all departments and activities of the town except for the school department."; and

4. Renumber Section 4-2 17) as 4-2 18) and renumber Section 4-2 18) as Section 4-2 19);

5. Insert a new Section 4-2 17), which Section relates to the Town Administrator's powers and duties, which reads "He shall be in charge of all machines and software other than machines and software used for educational or classroom purposes, and shall allocate the use thereof among the several town agencies."; and

6. In Section 4-3 (b), which Section relates to the appointment of an Acting Town Administrator, in the first sentence, third line, insert the words "or other qualified individual" between the words "employee" and "to", so that said first sentence reads "Any vacancy in the office of town administrator shall be filled as soon as possible by the board of selectmen but pending such appointment the board of selectmen shall designate a qualified town officer or employee or other qualified individual to perform the duties of town administrator on an acting basis."

QUESTION 5

Shall this town approve the Charter amendment proposed by vote of the 2009 Fall Natick Annual Town Meeting under Article 27, as summarized below?

YES
NO

SUMMARY

The amendment revised Article 5 of the Natick Home Rule Charter as follows.

1. In the title to Section 5-2, which Section relates to the Natick School Department budget, delete the word "Committee" and insert in its place the word "Department" so that the title reads "School Department Budget"; and

2. In Section 5-2(a), which Section relates to the Natick School Department budget, in the first sentence, insert the words "superintendent of schools' proposed" before the word "budget" and delete the words "as adopted by the school committee" so that the first sentence reads "The superintendent of schools' proposed budget shall be submitted to the town administrator in sufficient time to enable him to consider its effect on the total town budget he is required to submit under this article."; and

3. In Section 5-2(b), which Section relates to the public hearing for the Natick School Department Budget, a) delete the second sentence which reads "The summary shall specifically indicate any major variations from the current budget, and the reasons for such changes"; and b) in the present third sentence, delete the first word "They" and insert in its place the words "This notice", and delete the words "their complete draft" and insert in their place the words "the proposed" so that said sentence reads "This notice shall also indicate the times and places at which copies of the proposed budget are available for public examination, and the date, time, place, not less than seven days following such publication, when a public hearing will be held by the school committee on the proposed budget."; and

4. In Section 5-3, which Section relates to the submission of the budget by the Town Administrator, a) in the title delete the word "Proposed" and insert in its place the word "Preliminary" so that the title reads "Submission of Preliminary Budget"; b) delete the third sentence, which reads "The summary shall specifically indicate any major variations from the current fiscal year budget and the reasons for such changes."; c) in the three remaining sentences change all references to "proposed budget" to read "preliminary budget"; and d) in the last sentence delete the first word "The" and insert in its place the word "This"; and

5. Delete the present text of Section 5-4, which Section relates to the Town Administrator's budget message, which reads "The budget message submitted by the town administrator shall explain the proposed budget for all town agencies, both in fiscal terms and in terms of work programs. It shall outline proposed financial policies of the town for the ensuing fiscal year; describe important features of the proposed budget; indicate any major variations from the current budget in financial policies, expenditures and revenues, together with the reasons for such changes; summarize the town's debt positions; and it shall include such additional information as the town administrator deems desirable or the board of selectmen may reasonably require." and insert in its place the following text "The budget message submitted by the town administrator shall at a minimum:

- Provide a comprehensive overview of the preliminary budget;
- Explain the town's fiscal condition including noteworthy changes in various revenue and expense categories as well as reserves;
- Outline proposed financial policies of the town for the ensuing fiscal year;
- Indicate any major variations from the current financial policies together with the reasons for such changes;
- Identify changed priorities and the reasons for such changes;
- Summarize the town's debt position;
- Provide an analysis of significant trends and fiscal challenges and the administration's proposed responses thereto;
- Describe and summarize significant changes, if any, in town services and/or staffing levels and the reasons for such changes;
- Include such additional information as the town administrator deems desirable or the board of selectmen may require.";

6. In Section 5-5, which Section relates to the form of the budget submitted by the Town Administrator, a) delete the word "Proposed" in the title and insert in its place the word "Preliminary" so that the title reads "The Preliminary Budget"; b) delete the first sentence and insert in its place the following two sentences "The preliminary budget, in conjunction with the town administrator's budget message, shall provide a complete financial plan of all town funds, including the superintendent of schools' proposed budget as submitted under Section 5-2 and shall explain differences, if any, between that proposal and the town administrator's recommended appropriation for the school department. The preliminary budget must clearly identify any variances between the total recommended appropriations and projected available revenues and the means for addressing such variances"; c) in the present second sentence delete the word "it" in the second clause and insert in its place the words "the financial plan"; d) in the present third sentence, first phrase, change "proposed budget" to read "preliminary budget"; and e) in the present fourth sentence, first clause, delete the word "income" and insert in its place the word "revenues"; and

7. In Section 5-6, which Section relates to action by the Finance Committee on the budget submitted by the Town Administrator, a) in the title, delete the word "Proposed" and insert in its place the words "Town Administrator's Preliminary" so that the title reads "Town Administrator's Preliminary Budget"; and b) in Section 5-6 (a) and 5-6 (b), change "proposed budget" to read "preliminary budget" wherever they appear.

QUESTION 6

Shall this town approve the Charter amendment proposed by vote of the 2009 Fall Natick Annual Town Meeting under Article 28, as summarized below?

YES
NO

SUMMARY

The amendment revised Article 6 of the Natick Home Rule Charter as follows.

1. Delete Section 6-3 (b)(5), which section relates to the powers and duties of the Comptroller, which reads: "He shall, under the general supervision of the town administrator, be in charge of all of the accounting and business machines owned by the town other than machines used for educational and classroom purposes, and shall allocate the use thereof among the several town agencies."; and

2. In Section 6-4, which Section relates to the Town Treasurer/Collector, following the heading "Collector":

a) delete the text of subsections (1) and (2) which read:

"(1) The Massachusetts General Laws, including without limitation Chapters 41, 44, 58, 59, 60, 60A and 80 provide the manner through which the collector derives the authority to proceed to collect and enforce the collection of taxes committed to him. The collector is to compel payment of the taxes as levied or assessed by the proper authority. Regardless from whom the taxes are due they are to be collected and accounted for in the manner decreed by law. The collector must avail himself of any statutory remedies to enforce the collection.

(2) A collector who is acting in "good faith" cannot sit passively and merely receive such taxes as may be paid voluntarily, but must make an honest effort to enforce the collection under the powers conferred upon him or provided under the statutes."

and insert in their place the following text:

"(1) The Massachusetts General Laws, including without limitation Chapters 41, 44, 58, 59, 60, 60A and 80, authorize the means by which the collector is to collect and enforce the collection of taxes. The collector shall attempt to compel payment by all legal means of the taxes as levied or assessed by the proper authority. Regardless of from whom the taxes are due, the taxes are to be collected and accounted for in the manner decreed by law. The collector must avail himself of any statutory remedies to enforce the collection.

(2) A collector must enforce collection under the powers conferred upon him or provided under the statutes."; and

b) Insert a new subsection (4), which reads "Before performing any duties of the office, a collector must furnish a fidelity bond with a surety (guarantee against default) from a surety authorized to transact business for this purpose in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The premium must be paid by the Town."

VOTE BOTH SIDES